

RILEY, R. Shannon [R]—(Dist. No. 13, *Greenwood Co.*)—Businessman; residing in Hodges; *g.* Erskine Coll., B.A.; prev. serv. in House 2013–14.



RIVERS, Samuel, Jr. [R]—(Dist. No. 15, *Berkeley-Charleston Cos.*)—Ordained Minister/Senior Pastor, The Voice of the Lord Intl. Ministries, Inc.; residing in Goose Creek; *b.* Feb. 23; *s.* Samuel II and Mary L. Rivers; Samuel Rivers Intl. Servs. LLC; Motivational Speaker; VC, Berkeley Co. Rep. Party; mem., Christian Intl. Ministries Network; Bd. mem., Medal of Honor Bowl Game; former Bd. mem., S.C. Foundation for Public Charter; former Congressman Tim Scott appointee to Social Security Adv. Com.; former Victory Chair for Berkeley Co. Rep. Party; prev. serv. in House 2013–14.



ROBINSON-SIMPSON, Leola C. [D]—(Dist. No. 25, *Greenville Co.*)—Retired Dir., Greenville Tech. Coll.; residing at 19 Prince Ave., Greenville; *b.* Sept. 28, 1944 in Belton; *d.* Clyde and Rosa Lee Coleman Clement; attended Shaw Univ., 1963; *g.* York Coll. of the City Univ. of New York (CUNY), B.A., 1975; Furman Univ., M.Ed., 1990; Brandeis Univ., Graduate Certificate in Exec. Policy & Mgmt., 1993; Leadership Greenville, 1980; July 2006 *m.* Albert Simpson, Jr., 6 children, Dr. Aminah, Alvera, Basheer, Hassan, Shakir, and William; Dir., ESAA, Greenville Urban League, 1976–80; Dir., Chamber of Commerce/Private Industry Council, 1980–88; Comm. Greenville Housing Authority, 1983–88; School Bd. Trustee, Dist. 25, 1996–12; Appalachian Council of Govts., 1996–06; founder, Center for Educational Equity (CEE) Success Center, 2000–12; Author, *Black America Greenville County*, (series) Arcadia Publishing, 2007;



Greenville Co. Humanitarian Award, 1996; NAACP Freedom Fighter Award, 2003; GCEC Women Making History Award, 2006; Soroptomist Intl. Women of Distinction Award, 2008; mem., Epsilon Iota Zeta Chap., Zeta Phi Beta Sor., Inc.; prev. serv. in House 2013–14.



RUTHERFORD, James Todd [D]—(Dist. No. 74, *Richland Co.*)—Atty.; residing at 2321 Lincoln St., Columbia; *b.* Oct. 10, 1970 in Columbia; *s.* Harry and Karen Rutherford; *g.* Howard Univ., B.A., 1992; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1996; *m.* Naida Harris, 2 children, J. Todd II “Ty” and Tripp Benjamin; Legis. Asst., Congressman Robin Tallon, 1992–93; Owner, 3 Tech Integrated

Systems, 1993; Asst. Solicitor/Special Prosecutor of Narcotic and Drug Cases, Fifth Solicitor’s Off., 1996–98; The Rutherford Law Firm, LLC, 1998–; Minority Leader, 2013–; Owner: 803 Trucking, LLC; WasteSouth, LLC; T.I.S. Consulting & Auto; Natl. Bd. mem., NAACP Special Contributions Fund; Bd. mem., Brookland Baptist Church; Comm. Credit Union; mem., S.C. Bar Assn.; prev. serv. in House 1999–14.



RYHAL, Michael Q. “Mike” [R]—(Dist. No. 56, *Horry Co.*)—Businessman; residing at 8328 Juxa Dr., Myrtle Beach; *b.* Oct. 1, 1957 in Sharon, Pa.; *s.* Carl Q. and Mary Anne Ryhal; *g.* Geneva Coll., B.S., 1993; 1992 *m.* Carrie J., 3 children, Kaitlyn, Kristin, and Michaela; Dir. of Industrial Relations, First Energy, 1997–01; Dir. of Operations JCP & L, First Energy, 2001–05;

Carolina Forest Rotary Club, 2012–14; Bus. Advocate Award, S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 2013; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Podiatric Med. Assn., 2014; Christ Community Church; prev. serv. in House 2013–14.

SANDIFER, Bill [R]—(Dist. No. 2, *Oconee-Pickens Cos.*)—Businessman; residing at 112 Cardinal Dr., Seneca; *b.* Feb. 21, 1945 in Aiken; *s.* the late William Edward, Jr. and the late Frances Harley Sandifer; *g.* Cincinnati Coll. of Mortuary Science, 1965; Nov. 6, 1981 *m.* Sandra Prater, 4 children, Wes, Lori, Will, and Jennifer; Pres.: S.C. Funeral Dirs. Assn., 1987; S.C. State Bd. of Funeral Serv., 1983; Seneca Chamber of Commerce, 1978; Chm., Bd. of Dirs.: Oconee Memorial Hosp., 1986–88; Fort Hill Natural Gas Authority, 1994; Champion of Housing Award, S.C. Home Builders, 1996–97; Hammer and Trowel Award by Home Builders Assn. of S.C., 1998; Natl. Rep. Legislator of the Year, 2000; Bd. of Dirs., Seneca Natl. Bank; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Funeral Dirs. Assn., 2000; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Cemetery Assn., 2002; Legis. Leadership Award, S.C. Tel. Assn., 2002; S.C. Guardian of Small Bus. Award, Natl. Fed. of Independent Bus., 2002; Asst. Majority Leader, 2002–04; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Realtors Assn., 2002; Legis. Award by Amer. Legion, Dept. of S.C., 2003; Hall of Fame Award, Seneca Chamber of Commerce, 2004; 2003 Distinguished Serv. Award, Home Builders Assn. of Greenville; Special Legis. Award, S.C. Funeral Dirs. Assn., for highest off. held by a mem. of the Assn.; Legislator of the Year, Manufactured Housing Inst. of S.C., 2009; Champion of Health Care, S.C. Med. Assn., 2009–; “Peas & Carrots” Award by Citizens for Sound Conservation for “Improving our Environmental & Economical Quality of Life”, 2010, 2012; 2010, 2012 & 2013 Sword & Mace Award by S.C. BIPEC; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Cable Assn., 2010; inducted into the S.C. Homebuilder’s Hall of Fame, 2010; VC, Energy & Environmental Com., Southern Legis. Conf., 2012; 2013 & 2014 Golden Apple Award, Natl. Coalition for Public School Options; 2013 Paul Harris Fellow Award, Seneca Rotary Club; 2013 Outstanding Serv. Award, United Way; 2013 W. Mack Chamblee Quality of Life Award, S.C. Realtors; 2013–14 Legislator of the Year Award, Natl. Guard Assn. of S.C.; Southern States Energy Bd. mem., 2012–; elected Chm., Energy & Environmental Com., Southern Legis. Conf., 2014; mil. serv.: SCARNG, 20 years, retired Maj.; prev. serv. in House 1995–14.





SIMRILL, J. Gary [R]—(Dist. No. 46, York Co.)—Businessman; residing at 1515 Alexander Rd., Rock Hill; *b.* May 29, 1966 in Rock Hill; *s.* the late T. Hugh, Jr. and Diane Belk Simrill; *g.* Winthrop Univ., B.S., 1991; Dec. 4, 1993 *m.* Mary Ruth Dobson, 3 children, Mallory Graham, Sarah Kate, and Joseph Dozier; first Rep. elected from Rock Hill; Chamber of Commerce; Kiwanis

Intl.; Distinguished Serv. Award, S.C. Chap. of Natl. Fed. of the Blind; *Who's Who in Amer. Politics*; *Who's Who in the South and Southwest*; mem., Westminster Presbyterian Church; prev. serv. in House 1993–14.



SMITH, Garry R. [R]—(Dist. No. 27, Greenville Co.)—Businessman; residing at 210 Foxhound Rd., Simpsonville; *b.* Mar. 4, 1957 in Aiken; *s.* J. Roland and Peggy Smith; *g.* Univ. of S.C.-Aiken, B.A., 1979; Univ. of S.C., M.P.A., 1983; Aug. 4, 1979 *m.* Brenda L. Harman, 2 children, Michael Grady and Dana Michelle; managing partner, Nin Tai Enterprises, LLC, 1995–; partner,

Burkhold Smith Planning & Mgmt., 1996–; Pres., Amer. Soc. of Public Admin., S.C. Chap., 1988–90; Admin., Bamberg Co., 1988–92; Pres., S.C. Mgrs., Admin. & Supvrs., 1991–92; City Admin., Simpsonville, 1992–95; Chm., S.C. City and Co. Mgmt. Assn. Com. on City Legis. Issues, 1993–94; Chm., Greenville Co. Chief Admin. Off. Group, 1995; Pres., Simpsonville Rotary Club, 1997–98; Pres., Simpsonville United Methodist Men's Ministry, 2003–06, 2013–14 Chm., Church Council, Simpsonville United Methodist Church; prev. serv. in House May 20, 2003–14.



SMITH, George Murrell, Jr. [R]—(Dist. No. 67, Sumter Co.)—Atty.; residing at 2755 Windmill Dr., Sumter; *b.* May 15, 1968 in Florence; *s.* G. Murrell and Jody Hill Smith; *g.* Wofford Coll., B.A., 1990; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1993; Oct. 16, 2004 *m.* Macaulay White, 2 children, Mary Brown “Bee” and George “Murrell” Smith III;

Young Young & Reiter, 1993–98; part-time Asst. Public Defender, 1995–98; Partner, Lee, Erter, Wilson, Holler & Smith, LLC, 1998–; owner, Reliable Med. Equipment; mem.: Jud. Com., 2001–08, 1st VC, 2002–04; Criminal Laws Subcom. Chm., 2005–08; Comm. of Indigent Defense, 2005–; Sumter Co. Public Defender Corp. Bd., 1998–06, Chm., 2005–06; mem., S.C. Mil. Base Task Force, 2009–; Wofford Alumni Exec. Com., 2003–05; S.C. Bar Assn.; Sumter Co. Bar Assn.; Sumter Gallery of Art Bd., 2003–05; Sumter Palmetto Rotary Club, 1994–; mem., First Presbyterian Church; prev. serv. in House 2001–14.

SMITH, James Emerson, Jr. [D]—

(Dist. No. 72, *Richland Co.*)—Atty., Managing Partner, James E. Smith, Jr., P.A., Pres./CEO, The Congaree Group, LLC; residing at 1718 Hollywood Dr., Columbia; *b.* Sept. 9, 1967 in Columbia; *s.* James E., Sr. and Nina (Nelson) Smith; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1990, J.D., 1995; Feb. 9, 1991 *m.* Mary Kirkland Thomas, 4 children, James Emerson III, Thomas Bridges, Paul Bradford, and Shannon Elizabeth; mem.: Trinity Episcopal Cathedral & Church of the Apostles; mil. serv.: USAR, Jan. 1996–Aug. 1998; SCARNG, 1998–; active duty OEF Afghanistan, Feb. 2007–May 2008; prev. serv. in House 1997–14.



SOTTILE, F. Michael “Mike” [R]—

(Dist. No. 112, *Charleston Co.*)—Independent Ins. Agent; residing at 132 Sparrow Dr., Isle of Palms; *b.* June 7, 1948 in Rock Hill; *s.* Frank J. and Tommie Lee Sottile; attended Baptist Coll. of Charleston; Sept. 17, 1977 *m.* Loraine Johnson, 1 child, Amy L.; Mayor, City of Isle of Palms, 2001–08; Councilman, City of Isle of Palms, 1990–01; Bd. mem., Municipal Assn. of S.C., 2004–07; Bd. of Dirs., Independent Agents of S.C., 1986–89; Pres., Independent Ins. Agents of Charleston, 1986; mil. serv.: USAF, 1968–72; prev. serv. in House 2009–14.





SOUTHARD, Edward L. [R]—(Dist. No. 100, *Berkeley Co.*)—Bus. Owner; residing at 1511 Dennis Blvd., Moncks Corner; *b.* Oct. 1, 1946 in Cornelia, Ga.; *s.* Don L., Sr. and Helen B. Southard; June 9, 1967 *m.* Patricia Pressley Southard, 2 children, Edward L., Jr. and Jason B.; mem., Berkeley Co. Adv. Bd. for Roper Hosp.; Chm., Berkeley Co. Planning & Zoning Com.; Bd.

mem., Trident Workforce; Charter mem., Berkeley Co. Landowners' Assn.; Agric., Natural Resources & Environmental Affairs Com.; Chm., Subcom. on Regulations; voted Berkeley Co. #1 Legislator by Media, 2012; mil. serv.: SCNG, 1966–71; prev. serv. in House 2011–14.



SPIRES, Lawrence Kit [R]—(Dist. No. 96, *Lexington Co.*)—Pharmacist and Pharmacy Owner; residing at 833 Forts Pond Trail, Pelion; *b.* Feb. 21, 1954 in Columbia; *s.* Lucoe and the late Cornelia Spires; 2 children, Kevin and Kristina; *g.* Univ. of S.C., Coll. of Pharmacy, B.S., 1976; Mayor *Pro Tempore*, Town of Pelion, 1999–03; Pelion Town Council, 1999–03; Lexington

Med. Center, Bd. of Trustees, 1987–97; House Med., Mil., Public and Municipal Affairs Com., 2006–08; 3M Com., VC, 2013; Rules Com., 2008–; prev. serv. in House 2007–14.



STAVRINAKIS, Leonidas Emmanuel “**Leon**” [D]—(Dist. No. 119, *Charleston Co.*)—Atty.; residing in Charleston; *b.* in Charleston; *g.* Coll. of Charleston, B.A., 1988; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1992; Chm., Charleston Co. Council, 2005–06; Co. Council, 1999–06; Asst. Solicitor, 9th Circuit, 1993–96; prev. serv. in House 2007–14.

STRINGER, Tommy Max [R]—(Dist. No. 18, *Greenville Co.*)—Pres., Stringer Resource Group; residing at 4040 Hwy. 414, Landrum; *b.* in Greer; *g.* Bob Jones Univ., B.S., 1989; Trustee, Coastal Carolina Univ., 2006–08; Univ. Center of Greenville Bd., 2010–; prev. serv. in House 2009–14.



TALLON, Edward R., Sr. “Eddie” [R]—(Dist. No. 33, *Spartanburg Co.*)—Retired, SLED; Pres., The Tallon Group, Inc.; residing at 140 Bagwell Farm Rd., Spartanburg; *b.* Sept. 30, 1944 in Baltimore, Md.; *s.* Virginia Perseghin Tallon and the late M. Ray Tallon; *g.* Spartanburg Methodist Coll., A.A., 1970; Limestone Coll., B.A., 1971; June 20, 1971 *m.* Linda Roberts, 2 children, Emily and E. Ray, Jr.; Optimist Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, 1972; Lion of the Year, 1981; Intl. Assn. of Chiefs of Police, Life mem.; Bd. mem., S.C. Law Enforcement Officers Assn., 1982–, past Pres., 1988–89, Life mem.; Certified Fraud Examiner; Natl. Food Serv. Security Council Bd., 1996–06, Pres., 1996–97; Spokesperson, Natl. Food Serv. Security Council, 2006–08; Amer. Legion; NRA; Vietnam Veterans Assn.; Rep. Caucus Whip; Public Safety Coordinating Council; Chm., Freshman Caucus, 2010; apptd. Comr. for the Comm. on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), 2013–; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Fraternal Order of Police, 2012; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Sheriff’s Assn., 2013; House Jud. Com. Chief Majority Whip, 2014; Legislator of the Year, Natl. Assn. of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), 2013; Soc. of the Maltese Cross, 2014; mem., Morningside Baptist Church; mil. serv.: USAF, 1963–67; prev. serv. in House 2011–14.





TAYLOR, Bill [R]—(Dist. No. 86, *Aiken Co.*)—Retired Media Consultant; residing at 308 Summer Wind Court, Aiken; *b.* July 16, 1946 in Aurora, Ill.; *s.* the late Harold and the late Pearl Taylor; attended Bradley Univ.; Nov. 2, 1970 *m.* Donna J., 2 children, Kasey and William Ryan; Television News Dir./Anchor/Reporter, 1965–76; Founder & Commander, Civil Air Patrol

Squadron, Rockford, Ill., 1968–70; Pres., Illinois News Broadcasters Assn., 1974; Television News Consultant, 1976–78; Founder & CEO of media research & consulting firms based in Dallas, Los Angeles, and London, 1978–07; Consultant to Pres. George H.W. Bush's "Points of Light" initiative, 1991–92; named "Fifth Estater", Broadcast & Cable Magazine, 1998; Amer. Red Cross, Aiken Co. Chap., Chm., 2009–10, VC, 2010–12, Bd. mem., 2012–; 32° Mason & Shriner; mem., Rotary Club, Aiken; S.C. Chamber of Commerce "Bus. Advocate Award", 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014; mem., Majority Caucus Tax Reform Com., 2011–13; S.C.-BIPEC "Champion of Free Enterprise", 2012; Palmetto Family Alliance "A" Rating, 2012; 1st VC, House Educ. & Public Works Com., 2013–14; Majority Caucus Whip, 2013–14; Aiken Salvation Army, Adv. Bd. mem., 2013–; NRA "A" Rating, 2012, 2014; Chm., Higher Educ. Com. of the House Educ. & Public Works Com., 2015–16; mem., Millbrook Baptist Church, Aiken; prev. serv. in House 2011–14.



THAYER, Anne Johnston [R]—(Dist. No. 9, *Anderson Co.*)—Owner, Thayer Properties, LLC & Thayer Commercial Properties, LLC; residing at 225 Ansonborough Plantation, Belton; *b.* Apr. 13 in Greenville; *d.* Bobby G. and Vivian I. Williams; *g.* Marycrest Coll., B.A., 1990; 1990 *m.* Dr. Mark W. Thayer, 3 children, Brenn, Johnston, and Jordan; Anderson Co. Foster Care Review

Bd., 2003–10; State Foster Care Review Bd., 2005–08; past Chm., Anderson Interfaith Ministries; past Pres., Anderson Heritage; volunteer coordinator, T.L. Hanna High School; former Bd. mem., City of Anderson Bd. of Architectural Control;

VC, Rep. Women's Caucus, 2012–14; Secy./Treas., Rep. Women's Caucus, 2014–16; Secy./Treas., Anderson Co. Delegation; mem. & volunteer, NewSpring Church; prev. serv. in House 2011–14.

TINKLER, Mary E. [D]—(Dist. No. 114, *Charleston-Dorchester Cos.*)—Realtor; residing at 1286 Winchester Dr., Charleston; *b.* Sept. 30, 1980 in Charleston; *d.* Paul E. and Elizabeth C. Tinkler; *g.* Rhodes Coll., B.A., 2002; Auburn Univ., M.B.A., 2009.



TOOLE, McLain R. "Mac" [R]—(Dist. No. 88, *Lexington Co.*)—Businessman; residing at 180 Dogwood Cir., West Columbia; *b.* Mar. 8, 1946 in Columbia; *s.* the late Leon and the late Juanita W. Toole; *g.* Midlands Tech. Coll., A.S., 1966; Oct. 24, 1969 *m.* Linda R. Roland, 2 children, Karlayne and Christopher; mem.: Lexington School Bd., Dist. Two, 1996–00; Lexington Co.



Council Dist. Five, 2001–02; past Bd. mem.: S.C. Small Bus. Chamber of Commerce; past Chm., Lexington Co. Delegation; NRA; Ducks Unlimited; S.C. Sheriff Assn.; MADD; S.C. Sportsmen's Coalition; S.C. Citizens for Life; S.C. Cattle Assn.; Labor, Commerce & Industry Com., 2nd VC, 2009–; Bus. & Commerce Subcoms., Chm., 2013; mem., Operations & Mgmt. Com.; Subcom. Chm., Facilities, Furnishings & Space Allocation; Trinity Baptist Church, Deacon & Dir., Children's Sunday School; prev. serv. in House 2003–14.

WEEKS, David [D]—(Dist. No. 51, *Sumter Co.*)—Atty.; residing at 2 Marlborough Court, Sumter; *b.* Sept. 24, 1953 in Sumter; *s.* the late Goliath Brunson, Sr. and the late Eartha Lee Weeks Brunson; *g.* Morris Coll., B.A., 1975; Howard Univ., M.Ed., 1996; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1989; Morris Coll., School of Religion, 1996; Aug. 31, 1985



m. Cheryl Elaine Hannibal, 2 children, Lynette and Davida; Chm., Sumter City-Co. Planning Comm., 1998–00; Chm., Sumter Co. Voter Registration Bd., 1994; Municipal Court Judge, Timmonsville, 1996–00; Morris Coll. Bd. of Trustees, 2001–; Deacon and church school teacher, Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2001–14.



WELLS, Don L. [R]—(Dist. No. 81, *Aiken Co.*)—residing in Aiken; *b.* June 6, 1959 in Swainsboro, Ga.; *s.* Henry H. and Frankie Andrews Wells; attended Tenn. Temple Univ., 1979–83; 2000 *m.* Monica Garvin, 4 children, Henry, Andrew, Jones, and Walker; past Pres., Ambucs; past Pres., Rotary Club of S. Aiken; City of Aiken Councilperson, 2005–12; mem., Rotary

Club Aiken; Millbrook Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2013–14.



WHIPPER, J. Seth [D]—(Dist. No. 113, *Charleston-Dorchester Cos.*)—Atty.; residing at 4592 Durant Ave., North Charleston; *b.* 1949 in Charleston; *s.* the late Benjamin J., the late Nancy B., and Lucille S. Whipper; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1972; N.C. Central Univ., J.D., 1984; July 18, 1984 *m.* Carrie Ophelia Fulse, 2 children, Subira N. K. and the late Jasiri L. K.; mem.: Senior Bd. of

Trustees, St. Matthew Baptist Church; Bd. of Dirs., Neighborhood Legal Assistance Prog.; Recording Secy., Citizens Patrol Against Drugs (CPAD); Parliamentarian, N.C. NAACP, 1988–94; Founding mem., S.C. Coalition for Voter Participation; S.C. Bar Assn.; Charleston Co. Bar Assn.; S.C. Black Lawyers Assn.; past mem.: S.C. Summary Court Judges Assn., 1987–94; Charleston Co. Magistrates Assn., 1986–94; MacMillan Postal Adv. Comm.; Liberty Hill, Morningside Ferndale Initiative; Jenkins Orphanage Adv. Council; Bd. of Dirs.: Anna's House; C & O Fed. Credit Union; Jenkins Inst. for Children; Father to Father; Reginald Heber Smith Fellow; Flemming Fellow, 2000; Liberty Hill Athletic Club; S.C. Legis. Black Caucus; Jud. Com.; Interstate Cooperation Com.; S.C. Fair Share; S.C. United Action; prev. serv. in House 1995–14.

WHITE, W. Brian [R]—(Dist. No. 6, *Anderson Co.*)—residing in Anderson; Chm., Anderson Co. Legis. Delegation, 2006–11; Chm., Anderson Area Transportation Study Com. (ANATS), 2006; mem., Chm., House Ways & Means Com.; Budget & Control Bd., 2011–; Jt. Bond Review Com., 2011; Chm., S.C. Sportsmen's Caucus, 2011–13; Exec. Com. of the Natl. Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses; House Rules Com., 2002–11, Chm., 2007–11; mem., First Presbyterian Church; prev. serv. in House 2001–14.



WHITMIRE, William Ramsey [R]—(Dist. No. 1, *Oconee Co.*)—Retired Educ., School Dist. of Oconee Co. & Owner, S & W Farms; residing at 518 W. North Broad St., Walhalla; *b.* Aug. 24, 1948 in Seneca; *s.* Ramsey and Marie Fagan Whitmire; *g.* Piedmont Coll., A.B., 1972; July 26, 1975 *m.* Kathy Lynn Pittard, 3 children, Ashley Aven, Alayna Brianne, and Trevor Ramsey; Mayor of Walhalla, 2000–02; Mayor *Pro Tempore*, 1998–99; Bd. of Dirs., Walhalla Chamber of Commerce; mem.: Westminister Chamber of Commerce; Walhalla Rotary Club; Walhalla Lions Club; Walhalla Sertoma Club; Amer. Legion Post 124; Oconee Heritage Center; Patriot's Hall Assn.; Walhalla Oktoberfest Com.; Walhalla City Council; Walhalla Civic Auditorium Bd. of Dirs.; Walhalla High School Football Public Announcer, 1993–; Bd. mem., S.C. Council on Accreditation and School Improvement; Southern Assn. of Colls. and Schools; Walhalla Jaycees; mem., Educ. Com. of the Southern Legis. Conf.; S.C.-Ga. Savannah River Caucus; VC, Com. to Screen Candidates for Bds. of Trustees of State Colls. & Univs.; Soc. of Descendants of the U.S. Constitution; Educ. Oversight Com.; 2010 Amer. Legion Legislator of the Year; 2010, 2011 Bus. Advocate Awards; Historic Old Pickens Foundation; Sportsman's Caucus; mem., Oconee Co. Soil & Water Conservation Dist.; Chm., Oconee Co. Delegation, 2009–11; mem., Jt. Transportation Review Com.; S.C. House Veteran Caucus; St. Luke's Methodist Church, Outreach Com. Chm., Archives Com. Chm.; Pastor Parish Relations Com.; USAF



Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol; mil. serv.: USAR, 1971–77; prev. serv. in House 2003–14.



WILLIAMS, Robert Quintin [D]—(Dist. No. 62, *Darlington-Florence Cos.*)—Bus. Dev. Consultant; residing in Darlington; *b.* July 12, 1964 in Darlington; *s.* Robbie “Mae” Williams; *g.* Voorhees Coll., B.S., 1982–84, 1990–91; Troy State Univ., M.P.A., 1999–03; Dec. 5, 1992 *m.* Janice Ham-Williams, 3 children, Jacobie, Rodrick, and Jarell; mem., BDPA Data Processing Assn.;

Bd. mem., Round O. Missionary Baptist Church, Man of the Year Award, 2001; former coach, Darlington Co. Recreation Dept.; Phi Beta Sigma Frat., Inc.; Florence Chamber of Commerce, Humanitarian Award, 2002; mil. serv.: SCARNG, Army Achievement Medal, 2002 and 2004, Army Commendation Medal, 2005; Veteran of the Operation Iraq Freedom, 2005; mem., VFW; prev. serv. in House 2007–14.



WILLIS, Mark Nye [R]—(Dist. No. 16, *Greenville-Laurens Cos.*)—Long Term Care Admin.; residing at 201 Quillen Ave., Fountain Inn; *b.* Aug. 1, 1963 in Greenville; *s.* the late Jack and the late Gerry Willis; *g.* Erskine Coll., B.A., 1986; June 4, 1988 *m.* Tracy Langston Wills, 3 children, Mary-Langston, Elledge, and Reeves; Lander Univ. Bd. of Visitors; Golden Strip Relief

Ag. Bd.; Fountain Inn Chamber of Commerce Bd.; Amlkids Piedmont Wilderness Inst. Bd.; mem., Fountain Inn First Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2009–14.



YOW, Richard Lloyd “Richie” [R]—(Dist. No. 53, *Chesterfield-Lancaster Cos.*)—Air Force Veteran/Retired ANG; residing in Chesterfield Co.; *b.* Oct. 28, 1974 in Cheraw; *s.* Ricky and Judy Jones Yow; *m.* Crystal Lee Wallace, 1 child, RJ; life mem.: Disabled Veterans Assn.; NRA; NGA; mem.: Natl. Wild Turkey Fed.; VFW; Amer. Legion; current Adv. Bd. mem.,

AGAPE Hospice, Pee Dee Region; S.C. Meritorious Serv. Award; S.C. Palmetto Serv. Award; USAF Commendation Award; Louisiana Emergency Serv. Award; NCNG Achievement Award; 6 USAF Achievement Awards; 2 USAF Outstanding Unit Awards with Valor Device; 6 USAFR Forces Meritorious Serv. Awards; Natl. Defense Serv. Award; 2 Southwest Asia Serv. Awards; USAF Overseas Short Tour Ribbon; 2 USAF Longevity Serv. Awards; 2 Armed Forces Reserve Awards; Lower Macedonia Baptist Church Father of the Year; mil. serv.: USAF, 1992–95; SCANG, 1995–03; NCANG, 2004–09; VIANG, 2009–11; NCANG, 2012–14.